

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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November 23, 2004

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS
3 VOTES

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000170 - Hollyhills Drain, Unit 7, Cities of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, and West Hollywood (3), Mike Bubalo Construction Company, with changes amounting to a credit of \$401,988.41, and a final contract amount of \$7,078,789.05.

Project ID No. FMD0001035 - Catch Basin Cleanout 2004, Santa Clara River Watershed, et al., vicinities of Westlake Village, Palmdale, and Santa Clarita (3 and 5), J & G Maintenance, with changes in the amount of \$542.70, with a final contract amount of \$70,291.80.

Project ID No. FMD0003060 - Catch Basin Cleanout 2004, Los Angeles River Watershed, vicinities of Commerce, Compton, Long Beach, Paramount, Pasadena, and San Fernando (All), Ron's Maintenance, with changes in the amount of \$1,962.60, with a final contract amount of \$346,327.80.

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Project ID No. FMD0003063 - Catch Basin Cleanout 2004, Dominguez Channel Watershed, et al., vicinities of Carson, Hawthorne, Lomita, and Rolling Hills Estates (2 and 4), J & G Maintenance, with changes in the amount of \$210.50, and a final contract amount of \$66,218.00.

Project ID No. RDC0011922 - Morning Sun Avenue and PD No. 812, Line H Repair, vicinity of Rowland Heights (4), Southern California Underground Contractors, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$10,293.50, and a final contract amount of \$349,802.10 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0014185 - Imperial Highway at Biola Avenue, vicinity of La Mirada (4), Steiny and Company, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$1,059.37, and a final contract amount of \$82,089.11.

Project ID No. RDC0014253 - Via Verde at Covina Hills Road, vicinity of San Dimas (5), TDS Engineering, with changes in the amount of \$4,152.84, and a final contract amount of \$104,781.84.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Interim Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Interim Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000170, FMD0001035, FMD0003060, FMD0003063, RDC0011922, RDC0014185, and RDC0014253.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

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#### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$401,988.41 to an increase in the amount of \$4,152.84, while the total values of the contracts range from \$66,218.00 to \$7,078,789.05.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Interim Director of Public Works.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

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#### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

#### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

#### CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE Interim Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office County Counsel Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

# ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT November 23, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000170, HOLLYHILLS DRAIN, UNIT 7 (Cities of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, and West Hollywood), Supervisorial District 3

<u>Contractor</u>: Mike Bubalo Construction Company, 5102 Gayhurst Avenue, Baldwin Park, California 91706

#### **Project Description:**

Construction of a reinforced concrete pipe storm drain.

#### Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$466,444.00)
(2)	Place Bedding Material	25,438.41
(3)	Secure 12" Waterline and Delay Costs	36,340.92
(4)	Concrete Backfill for RC Connector Pipe	250.00
(5)	Cut and Remove 10" Waterline	1,309.33
(6)	Remove Tie Backs	<u>1,116.93</u>
	Total	(\$ <u>401,988.41</u> )

#### **Description of Changes**:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) During excavation for the proposed storm drain, wet, yielding soil was encountered on Cynthia Street between Hilldale Avenue and Wetherly Drive. It was necessary to remove this material and replace it with firm bedding material. The contractor must be compensated for this work which was not shown on the plans.
- (3) The City of Beverly Hills determined that their 12" waterline on Cynthia Street near San Vicente Avenue could not be cut and capped as shown on the plans without causing significant disruption to local residents served by the waterline. Therefore, it was necessary to support the waterline which was within the limits of excavation and ran parallel to the proposed storm drain. The contractor must be compensated for this work which was not shown on the plans.

- (4) Your Board previously approved a change in work to compensate the contractor for placing concrete backfill over a reinforced concrete connector pipe. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.
- (5) Your Board previously approved a change in work to compensate the contractor for cutting and removing a section of 10" waterline on Doheny Drive south of Phyllis Street. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.
- (6) Your Board previously approved a change in work to compensate the contractor for removing shoring tie-backs that interfered with the proposed storm drain on Corey Avenue near Sunset Boulevard. The tie-backs were remnants from past construction of an existing building. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2, 3, 5, and 6 were based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 4 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Nine additional working days were required because of these changes. An additional 27 working days were required because of changes in work previously approved by your Board.

### **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on June 11, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

#### Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$6,998,871.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board Changes in work authorized by the Interim Director	481,906.46
of Public Works	(401,988.41)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>7,078,789.05</u>

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# ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT November 23, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. FMD0001035, CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2004, SANTA CLARA RIVER WATERSHED, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Westlake Village, Palmdale, and Santa Clarita), Supervisorial Districts 3 and 5

<u>Contractor</u>: J & G Maintenance, 10345 San Antonio Avenue, Suite F, South Gate, California 90280

#### **Project Description:**

Clean out 8,611 catch basins at various locations in the County.

#### Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

\$542.70

### **Description of Changes:**

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for this work were based on contract unit prices.

One additional working day was required because of these changes.

### **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on October 1, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

#### Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$69,749.10
Changes in work authorized by the Interim Director	
of Public Works	542.70

FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$70,291.80

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### ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT November 23, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003060, CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2004, LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED (in the vicinities of Commerce, Compton, Long Beach, Paramount, Pasadena, and San Fernando), All Supervisorial Districts

Contractor: Ron's Maintenance, 11542 Horley Avenue, Downey, California 90241

#### **Project Description:**

Clean out 37,431 catch basins at various locations in the County.

#### Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$ 607.20)
(2)	Clean City of San Marino Catch Basins	1,462.80
(3)	Logo Stencil City of Alhambra Catch Basins	<u>1,107.00</u>
	Total	\$ <u>1,962.60</u>

### **Description of Changes**:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) The City of San Marino requested cleaning of 159 city-owned catch basins. The City will reimburse the County for the cost of this work which was not shown on the plans.
- (3) The City of Alhambra requested stenciling of 334 city-owned catch basins. The City will reimburse the County for the cost of this work which was not shown on the plans.

The costs for Items 1 and 2 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 3 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Five additional working days were required because of these changes.

# **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on October 7, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

# **Final Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$344,365.20
Changes in work authorized by Interim Director	
of Public Works	1,962.60
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$346,327.80

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## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT November 23, 2004

PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003063, CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2004, DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL WATERSHED, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Carson, Hawthorne, Lomita, and Rolling Hills Estates), Supervisorial Districts 2 and 4

<u>Contractor</u>: J & G Maintenance, 10345 San Antonio Avenue, Suite F, South Gate, California 90280

#### **Project Description:**

Clean out approximately 10,155 catch basins at various locations in the County.

#### Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

\$210.50

### **Description of Changes:**

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for this work were based on contract unit prices.

One additional working day was required because of these changes.

#### **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on October 1, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

#### Final Contract Amount:

FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT \$66,218.00

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## ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL) November 23, 2004

## PROJECT ID NO. RDC0011922, MORNING SUN AVENUE AND PD NO. 812, LINE H REPAIR (in the vicinity of Rowland Heights), Supervisorial District 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Southern California Underground Contractors, Inc., P.O. Box 1747, Brea, California 92822-1747

#### Project Description:

Excavation and reconstruction of existing roadway pavement; reconstruction of concrete curb, gutter, and driveways; reconstruction of an existing reinforced concrete pipe storm drain; and other appurtenant work.

#### Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$14,291.50)
(2)	Relocate Waterline	210.81
(3)	Bulkhead Connector Pipes	366.28
(4)	Slurry Removal	615.63
(5)	Double Drive Gates	2,805.28
	Total	(\$10,293.50)

#### Description of Changes:

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) Your Board previously approved a change in work to relocate a water service line that interferes with the proposed storm drain alignment and is not shown on the plans. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.
- (3) Your Board previously approved a change in work to remove two concrete junction structures that were not shown on the plans and bulkhead the open connector pipes. The cost for this work exceeded the original estimate by the amount shown.
- (4) During excavation operations, the contractor encountered a small amount of sand slurry that was not shown on the plans. In order to properly place the asphalt concrete, it was necessary to remove the sand slurry.

(5) It was necessary to install a double drive gate at the entrance to two access roads adjacent to Morning Sun Avenue. This work was not shown on the plans.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2, 3, and 4 were based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 5 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

#### **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on September 27, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Some additional site grading beyond the scope of the original contract may be necessary to control storm runoff along Morning Sun Avenue. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for the completed work, pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend that all retention be released. Upon completion of this additional work, we will return to your Board with our recommendation for the final acceptance of the contract.

#### Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$339,120.00
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board Changes in work authorized by the Interim Director	20,975.60
Changes in work authorized by the Interim Director of Public Works	(10,293.50)
AMOUNT DUE TO THE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	\$ <u>349,802.10</u>

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# ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT November 23, 2004

# PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014185, IMPERIAL HIGHWAY AT BIOLA AVENUE (in the vicinity of La Mirada), Supervisorial District 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Boulevard, Baldwin Park, California 91706

#### <u>Project Description</u>:

Installation of traffic signals, striping, and pavement markings.

#### Changes in Work:

(1)	Variation in Bid Quantities	(\$3,365.07)
(2)	Exploratory Excavations	1,200.00
(3)	Anchor Bolts	<u>1,105.70</u>
	Total	(\$ <u>1,059.37</u> )

#### **Description of Changes:**

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) It was necessary to compensate the contractor for exploratory excavations to confirm the location and depths of the existing utilities.
- (3) It was necessary to compensate the contractor for anchor bolts not included.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was stipulated in the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

## **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on September 14, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

#### **Final Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$83,148.48
Changes in work authorized by the Interim Director of Public Works	(1,059.37)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>82,089.11</u>

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### ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT November 23, 2004

# PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014253, VIA VERDE AT COVINA HILLS ROAD (in the vicinity of San Dimas), Supervisorial District 5

<u>Contractor</u>: TDS Engineering, 2899 Agoura Road, Suite 171, Westlake Village, California 91361

#### **Project Description:**

Installation of traffic signals and reconstruction of sidewalk, curb ramps, and curb and gutter.

### Changes in Work:

(1)	Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$2,204.61)
(2)	Modify Foundation for Traffic Signal Pole	9,487.73
(3)	PVC Conduit in Lieu of Galvanized Conduit	(3,130.28)
	Total	\$ <u>4,152.84</u>

## **Description of Changes:**

- (1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.
- (2) In order to avoid existing utilities, it was necessary to modify the foundation for a traffic signal pole on the east side of Via Verde. It was necessary to compensate the contractor for this work which was not indicated on the plans.
- (3) PVC conduit was substituted for galvanized metal. This resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount shown.

The costs for Item 1 and a portion of the cost for Item 2 were based on contract unit prices. The remainder of the cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

# **Project Completion Date:**

The contractor completed the project on September 16, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

#### **Final Contract Amount:**

Original contract amount	\$100,629.00
Changes in work authorized by the Interim Director of Public Works	4,152.84
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$104.781.84

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